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South Portland High School, 1976

B.A. Political Science, University of Southern Maine, 1981

B.A. History, University of Southern Maine, 1995

M.A. Labor Studies; Union Leadership and Administration,

University of Massachusetts/Amherst (pending)

Other: George Meany Center for Labor Studies (instructor and student)

Bureau of Labor Education, University of Maine (instructor and student)

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

1999-Present- Secretary-Treasurer, Maine AFL-CIO

1989-1999- Legislative Director, Maine AFL-CIO

1985-1999- Special Assistant, President of the Maine Senate

1984-1985- Planning and Research Associate, Maine Department of Public Safety

1982-1984- Field Director, Mondale for President, Inc.

1981-1982- Project Coordinator, Maine Chapter, National Multiple Sclerosis Society

1974-1981- Miscellaneous: Truck driver, warehouse manager, construction, retail

Maine AFL-CIO Executive Board
Greater Portland Federated Labor Council
Maine Center for Economic Policy
Northeast Council, AFL-CIO
Consumers for Affordable Health Care
Workers' Compensation Labor/Management Group
Maine Won't Discriminate
Maine Labor Group on Health

Maine Labor Group on Health Toxic Use Reduction Network Blue/Green Coalition

Boards and Commissions (partial)

Committee to Organize the Unemployed

Citizens United to Protect Our Public Safety, Schools, and Communities

Taxpayers for a Fair Budget Dirigo Alliance

Maine Democratic Party

Maine AIDS Plan

Kennebec Valley Organization
Maine Voters for Clean Elections

Maine Equal Justice Partners

Maine Workers' Project

**Biddeford Labor Coalition** 

Conlition for Economic Justice

Maine Council of Senior Citizens

## Boards and Commissions, State of Maine (partial)

Special Select Commission on Access to Health Care
Task Force on Continuity of Health Insurance Coverage
Blue Ribbon Commission on Hunger and Food Security
Maine Jobs Council
Commission to Study Paid Family and Medical leave
Special Select Commission on Long Term Care
Staff Representative, National Conference of Lieutenant Governors
Maine Commission on Whitewater Safety (2)

## Legislative achievements in following areas

Workers' Compensation Collective bargaining rights Civil Rights Pension security Tax and budget Severance Pay Family and Medical Leave Prevailing wage Toxics Use Reduction Minimum Wage Anti-privatization Workfare standards Education and Training Health and safety Health care Unemployment compensation

Child labor
Prison labor
Sexual harassment
Overtime
Pay equity
Peer Support
Trade
Prescription drugs

Education and Training Programs Conducted
Privatization
Workers' Compensation
Legislative Process
Universal Health Care and Bargaining
Steward Training
Political Action
Economics for Union Activists
Campaign finance

<u>Awards</u>

National AFL-CIO, Excellence in State Action, 2001
Maine Initiatives, Social Landscape Artist Award, 2004
America's Agenda, Heroes of Health Care, 2006

<u>Personal</u> Single, no children